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2. Something destroyed.

Behold where age's wretched victim lies;
See his head trembling, and his half-clos'd eyes. *Prior.*
VICTOR. *n. f.* [*vicitor*, Lat.] Conqueror; vanquisher; he that gains the advantage in any contest. *Victor* is seldom used with a genitive, and never but with regard to some single action or person. We rarely say Alexander was *victor* of Darius, though we say he was *victor* at Arbela; but we never say he was *victor* of Persia.

This strange race more strange conceits did yield;
Who *victor* seem'd, was to his ruin brought;
Who seem'd o'erthrown, was mistress of the field. *Sidney.*
Some time the flood prevails, and then the wind,
Both tugging to be *victors*, breast to breast,
Yet neither conqueror, nor conquered. *Shakefp.*
Although the *victor*, we submit to Caesar. *Shakefp.*

Say where and when
Their fight; what stroke shall bruise the *victor's* heel. *Milt.*
Our Hebrew songs and harps in Babylon,
That pleas'd to well our *victors* ear, declare
That rather Greece from us these arts deriv'd. *Milton.*
Their hearts at last the vanquish'd re-assume,
And now the *victors* fall. *Denham.*
In love the *victors* from the vanquish'd fly;
They fly that wound, and they pursue that die. *Waller.*
Fortune's unjust; the ruins of the brave,
And him who should be *victor*, makes the slave. *Dryden.*
Lose not a thought on me, I'm out of danger;
Heaven will not leave me in the *victor's* hand. *Addison.*

VICTORIOUS. *adj.* [*victriosus*, Fr.]
1. Conquering; having obtained conquest; superiour in contest. Victory doth more often fall by error of the vanquish'd, than by the valour of the *victorious*. *Hayward.*

The great son return'd *victorious* with his faiths. *Milton.*
That happy sun, said he, will rise again,
Who twice *victorious* did our navy see:
And I alone must view him rise in vain,
Without one ray of all his star for me. *Dryden.*

2. Producing conquest.
Sudden these honours shall be snatch'd away,
And curs'd for ever this *victorious* day. *Pope.*

3. Betokening conquest.
Our bruised arms hung up for monuments. *Shakefp.*

VICTORIOUSLY. *adv.* [*from victorious*.] With conquest; successfully; triumphantly.

That grace will carry us, if we do not wilfully betray our succours, *victoriously* through all difficulties. *Hammond.*

VICTORIOUSNESS. *n. f.* [*from victorious*.] The state or quality of being victorious.

VICTORY. *n. f.* [*victoria*, Lat.] Conquest; success in contest; triumph.

At his nurse's tears
He whin'd and roar'd away your *victory*,
That pages blush'd at him. *Shakefp.*
Then to the heav'n of heav'n's he shall ascend
With *victory*, triumphing o'er his foes. *Milton.*
Obedience is a com, licited act of virtue, and many graces are exercised in one act of obedience. It is an act of humility, of mortification and self-denial, of charity to God, of care of the publick, of order and charity to ourselves. It is a great instance of a *victory* over the most refractory passions. *Taylor.*

VICTRESS. *n. f.* [*from victor*.] A female that conquers.

I'll lead thy daughter to a conqueror's bed;
And she shall be sole *victress*; Caesar's Caesar. *Shakefp.*

VICTUAL. *n. f.* [*victualles*, Fr. *vittuaglia*, Ital.] Provision

VICTUALS. *n. pl.* of food; stores for the support of life; meat; sustenance.

He landed in these islands, to furnish himself with *victuals* and fresh water. *Abbot's Descrip. of the World.*

You had musty *victuals*, and he hath help to eat it: he hath an excellent stomach. *Shakefp.*

He was not able to keep that place three days for lack of *victual*. *Knolles.*

They, unprovided of tackling and *victuals*, are forced to sea by a storm. *K. Charles.*

To VICTUAL. *v. a.* [*from the noun*.] To store with provision for food.

Talbot, farewell;
I must go *victual* Orleans forthwith. *Shakefp.*

VICTUALLER. *n. f.* [*from victuals*.] One who provides victuals.

They planted their artillery against the haven, to impeach supply of victuals; yet the English *victuallers* forecaut not to bring all things necessary. *Hayward.*

Their conquest half is to the *victualler* due. *King.*

FIDELICET. *adv.* [*Latin*.] To wit; that is. This word is generally written *viz*.

VIDUITY. *n. f.* [*from viduus*, Lat.] Widowhood.

To VIE. *v. a.* [*Of this word the etymology is very uncertain*.]

1. To show, or practice in competition.

They vie power and expence with those that are too high. *L'Estrange.*

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You *vie* happiness in a thousand easy and sweet diversions.

2. In this passage the meaning seems to be, to add; to accumulate.

She hung about my neck, and kiss on kiss
She *vied* to fast.

That in a twink she won me to her love. *Shakefp.*

To VIE. *v. u.* To contest; to contend; to strive for superiority.

In a trading nation, the younger sons may be placed in such a way of life, as may enable them to *vie* with the best of their family.

The wool, when shaded with Aucona's dye,
May with the proudest Tyrian purple *vie*. *Addison.*

Now voices over voices rise;
While each to be the loudest *vies*. *Swift.*

To VIEW. *v. a.* [*veu*, Fr. *from visor*, or *voir*.]

1. To survey; to look on by way of examination.

Go, and *view* the country. *Jes. vii. 2.*

Th' almighty father bent down his eye,
His own works and their works at once to *view*. *Milton.*

View not this spire, by measures giv'n,
To buildings rais'd by common hands. *Prior.*

Where'er we *view* some well-proportion'd dome;
No single parts unequally surprize;
All comes united to th' admiring eyes. *Pope.*

2. To see; to perceive by the eye.

With eyes aghast
View'd first their lamentable lot.

No more I hear, no more I *view*,
The phantom flies me, as unkind as you. *Pope.*

VIEW. *n. f.* [*from the verb*.]

You should trend a course
Pretty, and full of *view*; yea, haply, near
The residence of Posthumus. *Shakefp. Cymbeline.*

Vast and indefinite *views*, which drown all apprehensions of the uttermost objects, are condemned by good authors. *Watson.*

The walls of Pluto's palace are in *view*. *Dryden.*

Cut wide *views* through mountains to the plain,
You'll wish your hill, or shelter'd hill again. *Pope.*

3. Sight; power of beholding.

Some faster resolution I've in *view*. *Milton.*

I go, to take for ever from your *view*,
Both the lov'd object, and the hated too. *Dryden.*

These things duly weigh'd, will give us a clear *view* into the state of human liberty.

Instruct me other joys to prize,
With other beauties charm my partial eyes;
Full in my *view* let all the bright abode,
And make my soul quit Abelard for God. *Pope.*

4. Act of seeing.

Th' unexpected found
Of dogs and men, his waked ear does wound;
Rous'd by the noise, he scarce believes his ear,
Willing to think th' illusions of his fear
Had giv'n this false alarm; but straight his *view*
Confirms that more than all he fears is true. *Denham.*

Objects near our *view* are thought greater than those of a larger size, that are more remote. *Lake.*

5. Sight; eye.

She was not much struck with those objects that now presented themselves to her *view*. *Female Quixote.*

6. Survey; examination by the eye.

Time never will renew,
While we too far the pleasing path pursue,
Surveying nature with too nice a *view*. *Dryden.*

7. Intellectual survey.

If the mind has made this inference by finding out the intermediate ideas, and taking a *view* of the connection of them, it has proceeded rationally. *Lake.*

8. Space that may be taken in by the eye; reach of sight.

The fame through all the neighb'ring nations flew,
When now the Trojan navy was in *view*. *Dryden.*

9. Appearance; show.

In that accomplish'd mind,
Helpt by the night, new graces find;
Which, by the splendour of her *view*,
Dazzl'd before we never knew. *Waller.*

10. Display; exhibition to the sight or mind.

To give a right *view* of this mistaken part of liberty, would any one be a changeling, because he is less determined by wife considerations than a wife man? *Lake.*

11. Prospect of interest.

No man sets himself about any thing, but upon some *view* or other, which serves him for a reason. *Lake.*

12. Intention; design.

He who sojourns in a foreign country, refers what he sees to the state of things at home; with that *view* he makes all his reflections. *Atterbury.*

With a *view* to commerce, in returning from his expedition against the Parthians, he passed through Egypt. *Arabian Nights.*

VIEWS.

VIG

VIEWLESS. *adj.* [*from view*.] Unseen; not discernible by the sight.

To be imprison'd in the *viewless* winds,
And blown with restless violence about
The pendant world

Each stair mysteriously was meant, nor stood
There always, but drawn up to heav'n sometimes

Swift through the valves the visionary fair
Repas'd, and *viewless* mix'd with common air. *Pope.*

Light-bounding from the earth, at once they rise;
Their feet half *viewless* quiver in the skies. *Pope.*

VIGESIMATION. *n. f.* [*vigessimus*, Latin.] The act of putting to death every twentieth man.

VIGIL. *n. f.* [*vigilia*, Latin.]

1. Watch; devotions performed in the customary hours of rest.

So they in heaven their odes and *vigils* tun'd. *Milton.*

Shines! where their *vigils* pale-cy'd virgins keep,
And pitying fairs, whose statues learn to weep. *Pope.*

2. A fast kept before a holiday.

He that out-lives this day, and sees old age,
Will yearly on the *vigil* feast his neighbours, *Shakefp.*

3. Service used on the night before a holiday.

No altar is to be consecrated without reliques, which placed before the church door, the *vigils* are to be celebrated that night before them. *Stillington.*

The rivals call my muse another way,
To sing their *vigils* for th' ensuing day. *Dryden.*

4. Watch; forbearance of sleep.

Though Venus and her ion shou'd spare
Her rebel heart, and never teach her care;
Yet Hymen may perforce her *vigils* keep,
And for another's joy suspend her sleep. *Waller.*

Nothing wears out a fine face like the *vigils* of the card-table, and those cutting passions which attend them. *Addison.*

VIGILANCE. *n. f.* [*vigilance*, Fr. *vigilantia*, Lat.]

1. Forbearance of sleep.

Ulysses yield'd unreasonably to sleep, and the strong passion for his country should have given him *vigilance*. *Broom.*

2. Watchfulness; circumspection; incessant care.

Shall Henry's conquest, Bedford's *vigilance*,
Your deeds of war, and all our counsel die? *Shakefp.*

No post is free, no place,
That guard and most unusual *vigilance*

Does not attend my taking *Shakefp. K. Lear.*

In this military care, there were few remarkable occasions under the duke, saving his continual *vigilance*, and voluntary hazard of his person. *Watson.*

Of these the *vigilance*

I dread; and to elude, thus wrapp'd in mist
Of midnight vapour, glide obscure.

We are enabled to subdue all other creatures; and use for our behoof the strength of the ox, the sagacity and *vigilance* of the dog. *Roy.*

3. Guard; watch.

In at this gate none pass
The *vigilance* here plac'd, but such as come
Well known from heav'n. *Milton.*

VIGILANT. *adj.* [*vigilans*, Latin.] Watchful; circumspect; diligent; attentive.

They have many prayers, but every of them very short, as if they were darts thrown out with a kind of sudden quickness; lest that *vigilant* and erect attention of mind, which in prayer is very necessary, should be wasted or dulled through continuance. *Hunter.*

Take your places, and be *vigilant*;

If any noise or soldier you perceive,
Let us have knowledge. *Shakespeare.*

The treasurer, as he was *vigilant* in such cases, had notice of the clerk's expiration so soon, that he procured the king to send a message to the master of the rolls. *Clarend.*

VIGILANTLY. *adv.* [*from vigilant*.] Watchfully; attentively; circumspectly.

Thus in peace, either of the kings so *vigilantly* observed every motion of the others, as if they had lived upon the alarm. *Hayward.*

VIGOROUS. *adj.* [*from vigor*, Latin.] Forceful; not weakened; full of strength and life.

Fam'd for his valour young;
At sea successful, *vigorous* and strong! *Waller.*

Their appetite is not dull'd by being gratified, but returns always fresh and *vigorous*.

VIGOROUSLY. *adv.* [*from vigorous*.] With force; forcibly; without weakness.

The prince had two giant ships;
With his one to *vigorously* he press'd,
And flew so home, they could not rise again. *Dryden.*

If the fire burns bright and *vigorously*, it is no matter by what means it was at first kindled. *South.*

VILL.

That prince whose cause you espouse so *vigorously*, is the principal in the war, and you but a second. *Swift.*

VIGOROUSNESS. *n. f.* [*from vigorous*.] Force; strength.

He hath given excellent succourance and *vigorosity* to the sufferers, arming them with strange courage, heroic fortitude, invincible resolution, and glorious patience. *Taylor.*

VIGOUR. *n. f.* [*vigor*, Lat.]

1. Force; strength.

Sometimes went and sometimes ran,
With supple joints, as lively *vigor* led. *Milton.*

Shame to be overcome,
Wou'd utmost *vigor* raise, and rais'd unite. *Milton.*

Pernicious fire wither'd all their strength,
And of their wonted *vigor* left them drain'd. *Milton.*

The mind and spirit remains
Invincible, and *vigor* soon returns. *Milton.*

No deep within her gulf can hold
Immortal *vigor*. *Milton.*

The *vigor* of this arm was never vain:
Wineth these heaps of slaughter. *Dryden.*

2. Mental force; intellectual ability.

3. Energy; efficacy.

In the fruitful earth
His beams, unactive else, their *vigor* find. *Milton.*

How does Cartesius all his finews strain,
The earth's attractive *vigor* to explain? *Blackmore.*

VILE. *adj.* [*vil*, Fr. *vilis*, Lat.] Base; mean; worthless; loid; despicable.

Our case were miserable, if that wherewith we most endeavour to please God, were in his sight to *vile* and despicable as men's disdainful speech would make it. *Hooker.*

I disdainful seem'd, and craved death,
Rather than I would be so *vile* esteem'd. *Shakefp.*

He to-day that sheds his blood with me,
Shall be my brother; he he ne'er to *vile*,
This day shall gentle his condition.

The inhabitants account gold but as a *vile* thing. *Abbot.*

That sinful creature man elected is,
And in our place the heavens possess lie must;
Vile man, begot of clay, and born of dust. *Fairfax.*

A spontaneous production is against matter of fact; a thing without example not only in man, but the *vile* of weeds. *Bentl.*

2. Morally impure; wicked.

Restor'd by thee, *vile* as I am, to place
Of new acceptance. *Milton.*

VILED. *adj.* [*from vile*, whence *revile*.] Abusive; scurrilous; defamatory.

He granted life to all except to one, who had used *vild* speeches against king Edward. *Hayward.*

VILELY. *adv.* [*from vile*.] Basely; meanly; shamefully.

The Volicians *vilely* yielded the town. *Shakefp.*

How can I
Forget my Hector, treated with dishonour,
Depriv'd of funeral rites, and *vilely* dragg'd,
A bloody corse, about the walls of Troy. *A. Philips.*

VILENESS. *n. f.* [*from vile*.]

1. Baseness; meanness; despicableness.

His *vileness* us shall never awe:
But here our sports shall be:
Such as the golden world first saw,
Most innocent and free. *Drayton.*

Reflect on the essential *vileness* of matter, and its impotence to conserve its own being. *Greesh.*

Considering the *vileness* of the clay, I wondered that no tribune of that age durst ever venture to ask the potter, what dost thou make? *Swift.*

2. Moral or intellectual baseness.

Then, *vileness* of mankind!
Could one, alas! repeat me good or great,
Wash my pale body, or bewail my fate? *Prior.*

To VILIFY. *v. a.* [*from vile*.] To debase; to defame; to make contemptible.

Tomalin could not abide,
To hear his sovereign *vilify'd*. *Drayton.*

Their maker's image
Forlook them, when themselves they *vilify'd*
To serve ungovern'd appetite; and took
His image whom they serv'd. *Milton.*

The displeasure of their prince, those may expect, who would put in practice all methods to *vilify* his person. *Addison.*

VILL. *n. f.* [*villa*, Fr. *villa*, Latin.] A village; a small collection of houses. Little in use.

This book gives an account of the manurable lands in every manor, town, or *vill*. *Hale.*

VILLAGE. *n. f.* [*villa*, Lat.] A country seat.

The ancient Romans lay the foundations of their *villas* and palaces within the very borders of the sea. *Addison.*

All vast possessions; just the same the case,
Whether you call them *villa*, park, or chase. *Pope.*

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